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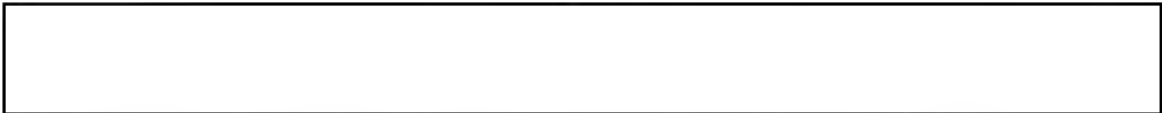
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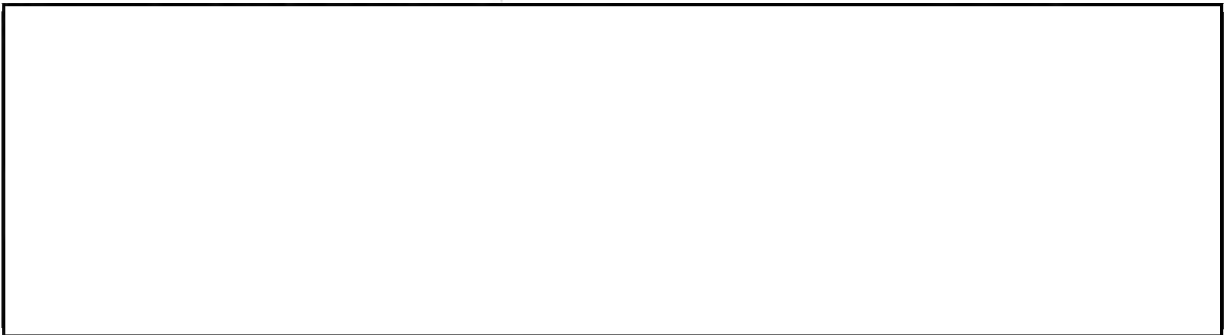
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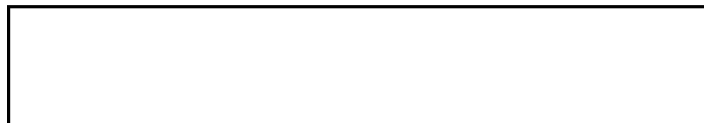


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CHILE: The growing struggle between Communists and Socialists over the direction of the government may give President Allende the opportunity he seeks to reorganize the cabinet and to obtain more military participation.

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[redacted] Allende responded to threats by the two major coalition parties to resign if their demands are not satisfied by indicating that he would replace their cabinet ministers with military officers. He gave them until 7 June to resolve their conflict. The President reportedly told army chief Prats on 22 May that he considers military officers in the cabinet responsible to him, not to the coalition. Consonant with reports that the military hopes to influence Allende to moderate his government, Prats replied that his condition for such appointments would be a major change in official economic policies.

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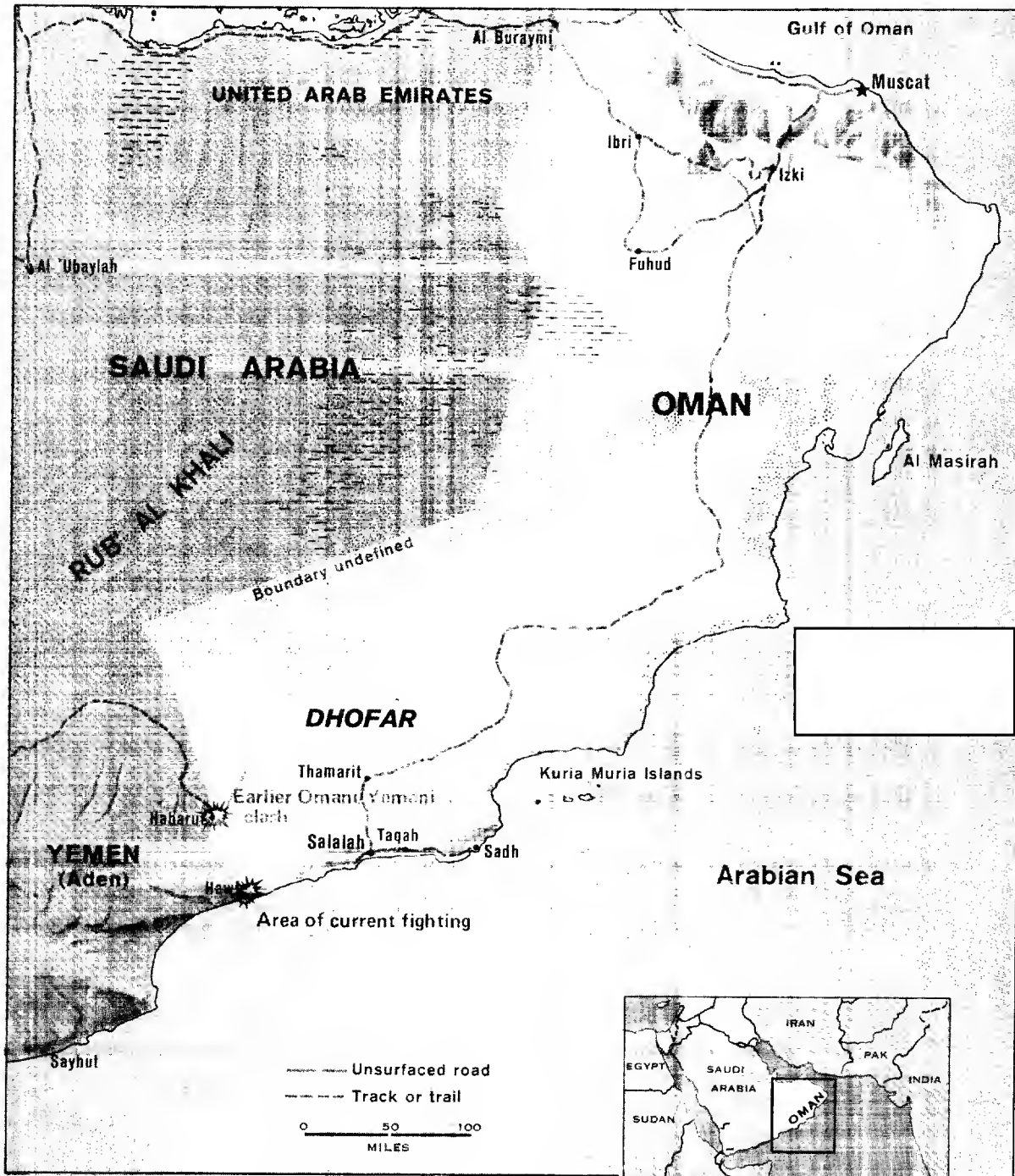
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OMAN - YEMEN (ADEN): Fighting has broken out between the two countries for the second time in recent weeks.

Omani air and ground forces struck the Yemen (Aden) coastal village of Hawf on 25-26 May, probably in retaliation for incidents committed by the Aden-backed Popular Front for the Liberation of Oman and the Arab Gulf. The Omani attack on 25 May included raids by six jets, one of which reportedly crashed, and a combined ground and air assault the following day. The primary targets of the raid were facilities in Hawf used by the Popular Front, which has been conducting a guerrilla war in Oman's Dhofar Province since the mid-1960s. Aden responded by dispatching regular army units to the vicinity of Hawf on 27 May. Artillery fire between Omani and Adeni forces was exchanged on 30-31 May.

Earlier in the month, Omani jets, [redacted] [redacted] struck across the border against Habarut, from which Omani positions were being shelled. [redacted]

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